ABSTRACT OF THE DISCLOSURE

A method and system for automatically configuring a computer peripheral device connected to a computer network. The method and system both retrieve the Industry of Electrical and Electronic Engineering standard 1284 device identification stored in the peripheral device and select an appropriate device driver for installation of the device. Upon completion of an initial device driver installation, a subsequent user is provided with information pertaining to a previous installation of the driver in order to simplify a current installation of the driver.